

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An IP telephone apparatus ~~connected to a personal computer connected to a computer network, and~~ having a plurality of types of calling functions including a telephone calling function for telecommunicating via a telephone network and a network calling function for telecommunicating via a computer network, the IP telephone apparatus comprising:

~~the IP telephone apparatus is connected to the personal computer that is connected to the computer network,~~

a main unit that includes:

a slave connection unit;

a calling function detection unit configured to detect which calling function of the telephone calling function and the network calling function is selected; and

a first calling function notification unit that notifies a user that at least one of a general telephone using the telephone calling function and a network telephone using the network calling function is being in operation according to a detection result of the calling function detection unit; and

a slave that communicates with the main unit by radio communication via the slave connection unit, the slave including:

a voice input/output unit; and

a second calling function notification unit that notifies a user that at least one of the general telephone using the telephone calling function and the network telephone using the network calling function is in operation according to a detection result of the calling function detection unit.

2. (Original) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1,
wherein, when a calling request is being made, the calling function detection unit detects which calling function is selected on the basis of the presence or absence of a selection command for selecting the network calling function; and
when an incoming call is made, the calling function detection unit detects which calling function is selected on the basis of the presence or absence of an access signal from the computer network.
3. (Currently Amended) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1,
wherein at least one of the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit notifies the user that at least one of the general telephone and the network telephone is ~~being~~ in operation by display.
4. (Currently Amended) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1,
wherein at least one of the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit notifies the user that at least one of the general telephone and the network telephone is ~~being~~ in operation by sound.
5. (Currently Amended) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1,
wherein at least one of the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit has a plurality of different notification manners;
at least one of the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit uses one of the plurality of different notification manners when a calling request is being made; and
at least one of the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit uses the other of the plurality of different notification manners when a telephone conversation is being conducted.
6. (Currently Amended) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1,

wherein at least one of the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit includes a first display unit and a second display unit;

the first display unit notifies the user that the network telephone is ~~being~~ in operation; and

the second display unit notifies the user that the general telephone is ~~being~~ operation.

7. (Original) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 6,

wherein the first and second display units are implemented as a common liquid crystal display having backlights;

the first display unit drives one of the backlights to emit light in a first lighting color; and

the second display unit drives the other of the backlights to emit light in a second lighting color.

8. (Currently Amended) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~further comprising:~~

~~_____ a slave; and~~

~~_____ a main unit including a slave connection unit connected to the slave;~~

~~_____ wherein~~

the calling function ~~notification~~ detection unit ~~notifies~~ sends information via the slave connection unit to the slave the slave, the information indicating that that one of the general telephone and the network telephone is ~~being~~ in operation ~~through the slave connection unit~~.

9-24. (Canceled)

25. (New) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit notify in a same manner simultaneously.

26. (New) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first calling function notification unit includes at least one of a first speaker and a first display unit, and the second calling function notification unit includes at least one of a second speaker and a second display unit.

27. (New) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 26, wherein the first calling function notification unit includes the first speaker and the second calling function includes the second speaker.

28. (New) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 26, wherein the first calling function notification unit includes the first display unit and the second calling function includes the second display unit.

29. (New) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein:
the first calling function notification unit includes a first display unit and a second display unit, and the second calling function notification unit includes a third display unit and a fourth display unit; and

the first display unit and the third display unit notify the user that the network telephone is in operation and the second display unit and the fourth display unit notify the user that the general telephone is in operation.

30. (New) The IP telephone apparatus as claimed in claim 29, wherein the first calling function notification unit and the second calling function notification unit notify simultaneously.

31. (New) An IP telephone apparatus having a plurality of types of calling functions including a telephone calling function for telecommunicating via a telephone

network and a network calling function for telecommunicating via a computer network, the IP telephone apparatus comprising:

a main unit that includes:

a slave connection unit;

a calling function detection unit configured to detect which calling function of the telephone calling function and the network calling function is selected;

a first voice input/output unit; and

a first calling function notification unit that notifies a user that at least one of a general telephone using the telephone calling function and a network telephone using the network calling function is in operation according to a detection result of the calling function detection unit; and

a slave that communicates with the main unit by radio communication via the slave connection unit, the slave including:

a second voice input/output unit; and

a second calling function notification unit that notifies a user that at least one of the general telephone using the telephone calling function and the network telephone using the network calling function is in operation according to a detection result of the calling function detection unit.